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Sir :

Further to Applicants' Reply Brief filed March 2, 2004, and prior to any decision on the Appeal Brief filed September 12, 2003, Applicants are herewith submitting a Request for Continued Examination along with the present Submission, and respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections in view of the following:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this document.